

IHSGB SUMMER FESTIVAL and BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIPS

23rd – 25th June 2017

Orchardleigh, Northgate, Pinchbeck, Spalding, Lincs. PE11 3TA
By kind invitation of Mr & Mrs Savage

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In true festival style, we welcome all riders of the Icelandic Horse to come and enjoy a fun weekend with your friends (four legged and others).

In addition to the “normal” track events, we will be offering extended **Dressage** opportunities and **Track and Trail** – a combination of Le Trec and the FEIF Countryside riding event.
Plus

Best Newcomers rosettes in each class for highest placed riders competing at a British Championships for the first time.

And of course, new for 2017 – The ‘Team Test 2k17’

We look forward to seeing you at Orchardleigh in June and sharing the fun of the IHSGB Festival and British Championships with you – new memories will be made!

OVAL TRACK and PACE TRACK

There are several classes on offer to suit horses and riders of varying abilities. All classes offered are ridden under FEIF sport guidelines*.

In the oval and pace track classes, each horse/rider combination may compete in only ONE gait class, and only ONE tölt class. Horses may be shared (i.e. ridden by more than one rider) provided the sharing riders are not entered on any horse in any Sport A or pace class throughout the duration of the competition.. Each horse is subject to the maximum number of classes a horse is allowed to compete in per day according to the FEIF guidelines. In addition to number of permissible starts per day horses may compete in Lead Rein and Dressage.

“Starter” classes

- **V5 Adult 4 gait:** riders compete in small groups directed by the speaker, showing any speed tölt, slow to medium trot, medium walk and slow to medium canter on one rein. Riders should indicate on the entry form which rein they wish to ride on.
- **T8 Adult tölt:** riders compete in small groups directed by the speaker, showing any speed tölt, and then change the rein, showing any speed tölt again. Riders should indicate on the entry form which rein they wish to start on.

Intermediate classes

- **V3 4 gait:** riders compete in small groups directed by the speaker showing slow speed tölt, slow to medium speed trot, medium walk, slow to medium speed canter, medium to fast tölt

- **F2 5 gait:** riders compete in small groups directed by the speaker showing slow to medium speed tölt, slow to medium speed trot, medium walk, slow to medium speed canter, racing pace. The horses may show racing pace 3 times on one long side. The riders choose the long side by majority vote. In the event of a draw, the speaker will draw lots to decide. The marks for tölt and pace will be doubled. Riders should indicate on the entry form which rein they wish to ride on.
- **T7 Tölt:** riders compete in small groups directed by the speaker, showing slow tölt first, and then change the rein, showing any speed tölt. Riders should indicate on the entry form which rein they wish to start on.
- **T6 Loose rein tölt:** riders compete in small groups directed by the speaker, showing slow to medium speed tölt, then return to walk and change rein. Riders then show slow to medium speed tölt, on the long sides holding both reins in one hand clearly showing no rein contact with the horse's mouth. Riders should indicate on the entry form which rein they wish to start on.

Sport A

- **4.1 Four-Gait V.1.** Riders compete **individually** and show half a round of walk and one round each of slow to medium trot, slow tölt, fast tölt and slow to medium canter, in any order, on the rein of their choice.
- **5.1 Five-Gait F.1.** Riders compete **individually** and show half a round of walk, one round each of slow to medium trot, tölt and canter, and two long sides of flying pace, in any order, on the rein of their choice.
- **T.1 Tölt T.1.** Riders compete **individually** and show one round of slow tölt, change the rein then one round of slow tölt with fast tölt on the long sides and finally one round of fast tölt.
- **T.2 Tölt T.2.** Riders compete **individually** and show one round each of any speed tölt and slow tölt, before changing the rein and finally showing slow to medium tölt with both reins held in one hand clearly showing no contact with the horse's mouth.

Youth Classes

These classes are for riders under 18.

If numbers of entries allow, youth riders will be divided into separate classes according to age.

Youth riders may compete in youth classes on a horse that is also being ridden by an adult (in the elementary or intermediate classes only). The horse in question is subject to the maximum number of starts allowed per day.

- **YT8**
 - **YV5**
- As above T8 & V5**

If there are insufficient entries for any class, the organisers reserve the right to combine the class with another one of a similar type.

Lead rein walk and trot/tölt This class is open to any rider age 10 or under, on any horse (even if the horse is used by another rider in oval track classes). There is no entry fee. Only to be held if there are 3 or more entries. Entries must be in advance of the show, so that we know entry numbers. Guidance for entrants - No curb bits, lead rein attached, riding type boots which must have a heel. Correctly fitting hat and stirrups (no feet in leathers). Leaders 16 + over - any queries, please contact Kirsty Carson.

PACE TRACK

- **PP1 Pace Test PP1** Riders are judged on transitions into and out of pace, and a 100m timed stretch of pace.
- **P2 Speedpace P2** Riders are timed over a 100m stretch of pace after a flying start.

For full details of the classes (especially PP1 which has very precise requirements) go to **www.feif.org** and **download the FEIF General Rules**. If you want to know exactly what the judges will be looking for and how they decide exactly which mark to give, look at the Judges' Guidelines. Both these are found in the "Download" section.

Riders placed 1-5 after the qualifying round of an oval track class will ride in the A final for that class the next day. If a rider qualifies to ride in a final on more than one horse the rider may choose which horse he wishes to ride in the final and the rider's other horses must then be withdrawn from the final. It will not be possible to get another rider to ride the other horse in the final. Where there are any withdrawals from the top 5 placings a lower placed horse/rider combination will move up into the final.

If a class has more than 20 entries there will be a B final early on in the day before the A final. Riders placed 6 to 10 after the qualifying round will ride in the B Final. The winner of the B final will be allowed to compete in the A final with the riders placed 1-5 in the qualifying round.

DRESSAGE ARENA

- **Walk and trot/tölt test** See appendix
- **Freestyle FS1.**

You devise your own test to music. There are certain mandatory elements, and some optional ones. You must present the **show secretary with 3 written copies of your test** in English (complete with diagrams) on Friday, and music should preferably be on CD. Anyone interested should look in the FIPO for the exact requirements or ask the show organiser for more information about this class. ***Forms can be obtained from the show organiser.***

OTHER CLASSES

Trail and Track – full details to be issued later but to include elements of handy pony skills and an oval track event. This can be ridden or in-hand.

OVAL TRACK, SUNDAY MORNING ONLY, NO FINALS.

Best of Four class For any rider who has not qualified to ride in a final on Sunday. Riders compete in small groups directed by the speaker, showing tölt, trot, walk and canter on one rein. The lowest marked gait will be disregarded, and an average of the 3 highest marked gaits will determine the final placings. Riders who have competed on more than one horse during the competition will be eligible to compete in "Best of Four" only if none of their horses have qualified for a final. In this case, the rider may choose which horse they wish ride in the "Best of Four" class. These riders will be entered automatically, free of charge, but may withdraw if they don't wish to take part. Rosettes for all.

General information

The showground will be open from Thursday 12pm until Monday 12pm. Please try to time your arrival and departure accordingly, out of courtesy to your hosts.

Provisional timetable – Subject to change by organising group, who reserve the right to change with due notice.

Please watch the website for the latest information.

Friday PM (4pm onwards) – Festival + Dressage.

Possibly one pace event
Dressage events

Friday evening - meeting for all riders: safety information and procedures, introduction of judges and show officials, Q&A session on oval track procedure, ringcraft etc. Any questions on equipment can be addressed. Team Test 2k17 teams allocated.

Saturday – Festival + British Championships

All other oval track tests
Track and Trail

Evening – meal and Team Test 2k17 fun events.

Sunday – Festival + British Championships:

Finals of all tölt and gait classes held on Saturday
Best of four
Lead rein
Pace events

A “Best of Four” class will be held on Sunday morning for any rider who hasn’t made it into a final.

Passports and vaccinations: It is now the law that all horses must have a passport which should accompany the horse. Horses coming to the show will have their passports checked (to ensure that the passport matches the horse and that flu vaccinations are up to date) on arrival, and **horses without passports will not be allowed to enter the showground or to take part in the competition. Horses must have up to date vaccination certificates showing correct initial flu vaccination with timely annual boosters or they will not be allowed to enter the showground or to take part in the competition. (see www.ihsgb.co.uk for details)**

FEIF Guidelines apply - [https://www.feif.org/files/documents/FEIF_General_Rules_Regulations2017.1\(1\).pdf](https://www.feif.org/files/documents/FEIF_General_Rules_Regulations2017.1(1).pdf)
Please take especial note of sections concerning Tack, Shoeing, and Protective equipment.

Tack & Equipment: In the IHSGB youth, starter and intermediate classes, standard British shoes over 10mm thick will be allowed provided the cross sectional area is not greater than 230mm². Hoofboots are also allowed in these classes – maximum weight including additional protective equipment 600gms per hoof/leg. No more than 250gms difference between front and hind. Apart from this, FIPO rules will be applied to all classes. This means riders must be particularly careful that the tack they are using is allowed. The FIPO rules on biting were changed in 2005, and there are now very few restrictions. However, riders should check the latest list of prohibited equipment on the FEIF website (www.feif.org/sport). **One recent change is that it is no longer allowed to ride with a flash or grackle noseband with curb bit.** Riders should also check that whips aren’t too long (max. 120 cm), shoes too thick or wide (maximum width 23mm, max thickness 10mm), or protective boots too heavy (**max 250 gms** per leg. If both tendon boots and overreach boots are used, the combined weight must not exceed **250gms** per leg). NB some materials absorb moisture and become heavier if the ground is wet, or the horse sweats a lot. Equipment will be checked as the horses leave the track immediately after they have competed and **any equipment that the judges deem not to be within the rules will cause the horse to be disqualified from that particular class.** We urge riders who may be unsure about what equipment is allowed, to ask at the Friday meeting, before the main competition starts.

Please note that the Icelandic horses are meant to be shown in their “natural state” but horses may be clipped for welfare reasons. Please take time to read through the FEIF Code of Conduct, and remember that to many “normal” horse riders some of us appear to be on the large side for our little “ponies”. It is therefore doubly important that we are scrupulous in our general care, riding and tending of the horses at all times. Judges will award yellow (or red, in severe cases) cards or warnings for rough riding on and off the track.

Riders' attire is not subject to any rules other than that riding hats and suitable footwear must be worn when mounted. A clarification has been made in the FIPO and riders are allowed to wear gaiters/half chaps. Riders are asked to be appropriately dressed and to be tidy out of respect for our judges.

The organisers reserve the right to alter the programme, cancel a class, restrict the number of entries, or refuse an entry at their discretion.

Competitors and spectators attend the show at their own risk and shall free and relieve the landowners, the organisers and the Icelandic Horse Society of Great Britain (IHSGB Ltd) of any liability in relation thereto to the full extent permitted by the law including without prejudice the foregoing: accident or injury to persons or animals, damage, loss, or theft of vehicles or property. Competitors and spectators shall be bound to satisfy themselves that the organisational arrangements and facilities are acceptable to them before participating. All participants should have personal insurance.

Challenge trophies remain the property of the IHSGB and must be returned after 12 months or before the next championship show.

Practical information

- There will be room on the showground for camping and grazing.
- Portaloos and access to water will be on site.
- Bring your own electric fencing to make your horse's paddock, and hard feed for the whole weekend, and journey home.
- Make sure you bring plenty of warm and waterproof clothing for yourself (and your horse, if it likes its home comforts).
- There will be a meal available (if you book in advance) on Saturday evening. There are nearby shops/takeaways.
- Please fill in the form on the back of the entry form, to enable us to plan the showground appropriately.
- Dogs will **not be permitted** at the venue.

Health and Safety

The show will be covered by the IHSGB insurance and will have to comply with Health and Safety requirements. The show ground will be divided into a horse area (for horse paddocks), a parking area for horse lorries, trailers and their towing vehicles, and a separate camping area for caravans and tents. Children must not enter the horse area unless tending their own horse, or closely supervised by an adult. The public will not be allowed into the horse area, and the horses must not be taken into the separate camping area.

Directions

Orchardleigh PE11 3TA

Please contact David directly if you require further information on directions: chairman@ihsgb.co.uk

Festival walk, trot and tölt dressage test			mark/10
1	A C	Enter at A in walk, proceed down centre line without halting At C turn right	
2	M-B A X A	Between M & B transition to tölt At A 20m circle right in tölt	
3	A-K E-B B	Between A & K transition to walk Change rein in walk between E & B Turn left	
4	M-C C X C	Between M & C transition to tölt At C 20m circle left in tölt	
5	C-H H-X-F F-A-K-E	Between C & H return to walk Change the rein in a free walk on a long rein Turn right at F, medium walk to E	
6	E X B-C	Half circle right 10m to X Half circle left 10m to B continue in medium walk	
7	C-H H-E-K-A A-X	between C&H transition to trot Continue in trot to A At A 1½ 20m circles left in trot	
8	X-C	At X 1½ 20m circles right in trot	
9	C-M-X-K K K-A	Continue in trot, change rein across diagonal Turn left at K Between K&A transition to walk	
10	A G	At A turn left down centre line in walk Halt, immobility, salute	
		Regularity of gaits	
		Impulsion	
		Obedience	
		seat and aids	
		sub-total	
		total (= sub-total divided by 14)	

Riders may use a caller to read out the test when they compete.